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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview conducted on April 10, 2003. The Examiner's comments were helpful, and are incorporated into the comments below.

By this document, Applicant has amended Claim 6 and added new Claim 11. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Thus, Claims 6-11 are presented for further examination.

Discussion of Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the final Office Action, Claims 6 and 8-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,014,345 to Comroe, et al in view of U.S. Patent No 5,040,238 to Comroe, et al. In addition, Claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the '345 patent in view of the '238 patent, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,345,502 to Rothenhofer.

Amended Claim 6 recites a method for reaching subscribers in a cellular mobile radio communications system, wherein "subscriber data sets are selected from a pool of predetermined subscriber data sets". As the Examiner acknowledged during the April 10, 2003 interview that such an amendment would overcome the rejection given in the final Office Action, Applicant respectfully submits amended Claim 6 for further review as patentable subject matter.

U.S. Patent No. 5,159,592 to Perkins describes a network address management in a mobile communication system where an Internet address for each mobile unit is allocated and deallocated from a pool of Internet addresses (IP addresses) available for the network. *Perkins at col. 3, lines 10-15.* Generally, an IP address is temporarily assigned to an Internet user (terminal) and is required for the routing of the data packets. An IP address cannot be a subscriber data set since it is well known that such data sets include permanent subscriber data as well as temporary subscriber data. (See GSM specification 3G TS 23.008, Ch. 1.1). In addition, Perkins fails to teach or suggest a method for reaching subscribers in a cellular mobile radio communications system wherein "the cellular mobile radio communications system is configured for at least voice communication". Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that the prior art fails to teach every element as recited in Claim 6, and Applicant respectfully submits Claim 6 as being in condition for allowance.

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Because Claims 7-11 depend from Claim 6, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 4, they incorporate by reference all the limitations of the claim to which they refer. It is therefore submitted that these claims are in condition for allowance at least for the reasons expressed with respect to the independent claim, and for their other features.

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